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Attention: Commissioner for Patents

Please find attached Re: 09/535,105

- > Amendment Transmittal
- > Response to PTO communication dated March 25, 2004

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PATENT
Docket No. PD-980199
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Robert G. Arsenault, et al.

Serial No. 09/535,105

Filed: March 24, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STORING AND DISPLAYING
DIGITAL OBJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH AN ELECTRONIC TELEVISION
PROGRAM GUIDE USING FUZZY LOGIC

Date: June 24, 2004

Group Art Unit: 2611

Examiner: Ngoc K. Vu

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

____ Applicant petitions for an extension of time for months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ _____

____ An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. _____
Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated March 25, 2004. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

____ The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED									
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		RATE		ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	minus	20*	=	0	x	\$ 18.00	\$	5
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	minus	4**	=	0	x	\$ 86.00	\$	5
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					0	+	\$ 280.00	\$	5
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:									\$ 5

Charge \$ 00.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,

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